

FORMER MONETT MAN KILLED AT TULSA

Barnes E. Combs is Run Over By a Switch Engine While Working as Switchman for the Midland Valley Railroad.

Ernest E. Combs, formerly of Monett, was run over and killed by a switch engine, while working as switchman in the Tulsa yards of the Midland Valley Railroad Company. He had been working for the company three weeks. He went to work at 8 o'clock, Tuesday morning, and was killed before noon.

Mr. Combs is the son of Mrs. B. Combs, of south of town. He was for many years an employee of the Frisco and worked up to the position of freight conductor on the Oklahoma Division. He lost his position with the Frisco and had been working for the Midland Valley only a short time when he met his death.

The funeral party arrived with the body, Wednesday afternoon, and went at the home of his mother, south of town. Funeral services will be held at the Waldensian church at 2 o'clock, Thursday afternoon and interment will be made in the Waldensian cemetery.

Besides his mother Mr. Combs is survived by five brothers and sisters. They are E. W. Combs, Mrs. Wm. Kreuger, Mrs. Steve Lauter, Mrs. Delmer Medlin and Miss Emma Combs. He also has an adopted daughter who is in a convent at St. Louis.

He was born in Piedmont Valley, France, February 14, 1875, being at his death 42 years old.

SOPHOMORES GIVE RECEPTION

One of the most elaborate events of the social school year was given in the form of the Sophomore reception, Saturday night, February 17, at Campbell's Hall. The hall was most tastefully decorated in the class colors, red and gray, and pennants. Besides dancing, rook and other popular card games were played.

After a number of dances, red and gray brick ice cream and delicious cakes, the latter being made by the sophomore girls, were served. Two more dances finished, the strains of "Home Sweet Home" echoed around the hall and the guests departed to their various homes, all strongly manifesting that they had had a most delightful time.

Those present were: Misses Jessie Bell, Wilson, Norine Wilson, Gladys Solomon, Ruth Cole, Margaret Chappell, Isabelle Miller, Lois Wright, Kitty Belle Taylor, Winnie Taylor, Bonnie Wilson, Ethel King, Eva Marie Dunnigan, Margaret Walsh, Hortense Dwyer, Helen Davis, Georgia West, Mary Burke, Dorothy Burke, Eva Moad, Alma Gillioz. Messrs. Raymond Kingery, Hiram Bradford, Henry Lautaret, Lewis Roetta, George Reynaud, Harry Burgess, Don Withers, Claud Budworth, John McCurry, Vincent Wilson, Leslie Mason, Norman Nordin, Archie Andrews, Harry Weidman, Farris Davis, Homer Counts, Neil Gillette, Lon Perry, Walter Ackerson, Milo Martin, Fred Dwyer, Paul Matthews, Raymond Farrar, Louie Moad, Herb Livesay.

Out of town guests were Miss Mildred Burns, of Fayetteville, Ark., Miss Bessie Morris, Jack Bowen and Dudley Manlove of Peirce City.

REVIVAL MEETING

CLOSED AT BUTTERFIELD
The revival meeting at the M. P. church in Butterfield closed Sunday night, February 18.

The meeting was a grand success, leaving the church in the best spiritual condition it has been in for quite a while. Factions were united and the whole community reunited in a successful effort to make Butterfield better.

Much credit is due to Mrs. Talbert for her efficient service given as organist and choir leader, rendering music that was appreciated by all.

During the meeting occurred the fire that totally destroyed the home of Rev. E. B. Scott, the pastor of the church. The people soon showed their loyalty and Christianity by supplying all of their needs and in thirty-six hours' time from the fire they were comfortably located and keeping house again.

While there were not as many converted in the meeting as they would like to have seen—only five—they all being adults. So far seven have united with the church. They do not feel their efforts are in vain for the beautiful songs and solos and effective sermons preached and the forces of Butterfield against the evil influences has already borne fruit and the outlook for the future is very promising.

A MEMBER.

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Mrs. Lee Keithley, of Springfield, is visiting Mrs. R. T. Keithley for a few days.

DRYS WIN CONAEST IN STATE SENATE

Defeat Motion to Delay Action on Bill for Watchers at Prohibition Elections.

Jefferson City, Feb. 20.—The first contest in the senate on a clear-cut "wet" and "dry" issue came up this morning, in a motion to delay action on a bill by Senator Harris, of Boone county, to permit challengers and watchers in polling places at constitutional amendment elections, the "drys" winning by a vote of 15 to 14.

Senator Taylor of Chariton county offered a motion to refer the bill to the election committee, which reported it favorably 10 days ago, after considering it three weeks. Senator Taylor said he desired to prepare an amendment, but that he had had the amendment under consideration since Thursday and had not had time to prepare it. Senator Harris resisted the motion, saying that to refer the bill back to the committee this late in the session would mean that the bill would not come out of the committee in time for passage.

STONES PRAIRIE

There was a fine snow fell Wednesday which was much needed.

Seems as though the sick folks on the prairie are improving which everyone is glad to hear.

Mrs. Herschel Carlin and little daughter visited Mrs. B. W. Withers and daughter Dena, the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Johnson and family visited H. S. Horine and family, Sunday.

John Bowers visited home folks north of Monett, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Gladys Goodnight visited Misses Julia, Elsie and Della Robbins, Sunday.

Frank Young and John Bowers were seen hauling two fine saw logs to the Terry saw mill that were grown on Frank's farm.

Miss Marie Eden visited Miss Maud Young last Friday.

Mrs. Josephine Wormington visited Miss Dena Withers, Tuesday.

The young people of New Site had a Valentine shower for Dena Withers, who is not able to be out much but we all hope for her soon recovery.

LONG LOST BROTHER FOUND

Mrs. Homer Collar, of La Junta, Colo., who was reared by Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Stribling, of Kings Prairie, who took her from a Children's Home at Springfield, has just found trace of her brother from whom she was separated when a small child. The La Junta, Colorado, Tribune gives an account of the circumstances as follows:

"After a separation of sixteen years Mrs. H. E. Collar of this city finally succeeded in locating her brother, Clyde Campbell, who is residing in Hoffman, Okla.

Mrs. Collar and her brother were placed in an orphan's home in Springfield, Mo., at the ages of 5 and 7 years, and after being there for some time Mrs. Collar was taken from the home and adopted by a family living at Monett, Mo., and her brother was taken by a family at Willow Springs, Mo., and neither have met since that time.

Both have written many letters to various places in an endeavor to locate each other, but all letters were returned to the writer until two weeks ago, when Mrs. Collar received a letter from her brother in answer to one which he had just received from her.

While visiting in Missouri this fall Mrs. Collar was able to learn something in regard to her brother and immediately wrote two letters asking for information regarding him and finally secured his postoffice address.

At the time Mrs. Collar's letter reached her brother, he was just convalescing from an attack of pneumonia, and has had a relapse and is unable to make the trip to Colorado, consequently Mr. and Mrs. Collar expect to leave soon for Hoffman, Okla., to visit him. Mrs. Collar also received a letter this week from an aunt from whom she had not heard for sixteen years. The aunt resides in Seattle, Wash."

Mr. and Mrs. Stribling took the little girl, then Edna Campbell, into their home when she was nine years old. She remained with them until three years ago when she married to Homer Collar, both of them well known on Kings Prairie. Mr. and Mrs. Stribling have taken much interest in trying to unite the four children in the family. There are two yet to be heard from, a sister yet in her teens and a younger girl.

ATTEND SHRINERS MEETING

IN SPRINGFIELD
Among those who attended the Shriner's meeting in Springfield Wednesday were C. C. Cook, Frank Rowden, Frank Boehm, D. Wilkerson, Don Williams, Sig Solomon, J. L. Hobbs, J. J. Davis, S. A. Chappell, J. L. Domnick, Ras Folger and S. H. Lauderdale.

Two tourist cars loaded with soldiers from Columbus, Ohio, passed through Monett, Tuesday en route to San Antonio, Texas.

J. C. GAGE GETS FAVORABLE DECISION

Charge of Embezzling Funds of Monett Field Association Dismissed By Justice Wilkerson.

The trial of J. C. Gage, supreme president of the Improved Order of Deer, on charge of embezzling funds of the Monett Field Association, a branch of the Lodge, was held before Justice D. Wilkerson, Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Wilkerson dismissed the case.

Witnesses examined were W. E. Gray, Dr. C. T. Dusenbury, John M. McGrath, B. S. Sisson, Rev. W. A. Todd and Miss Edna Scott.

Nineteen members of the Deer Lodge composed the Field Association, organized for the purpose of instituting new lodges in six states, to which work contributions to the amount of \$1,800 were given by the members of the Association. In return for their money expended in this way they were to get \$1.00 for each member secured in the field work.

The work did not progress as they expected and, believing that the money had been used for other purposes some of the members of the Association filed the complaint.

At the trial Miss Scott, Mr. Gage's stenographer, testified that the books showed that \$1,900 had been used in field work.

Mr. Gage said that he used some of the funds of the Field Association in repairing the building and paying expenses but that more than the amount contributed by the members had been used in field work.

Justice Wilkerson decided in favor of Mr. Gage and dismissed the case.

CONFESSES TO SHERIFF

HE STOLE HORSE HERE

Springfield, Mo., Feb. 20.—William O'Daniel, 27, of Monett, confessed to Sheriff Will Webb that he stole a horse and buggy from Lewis H. Davis in Springfield because he needed the horse to farm this spring when he was taken in custody in Fort Smith, Ark., Sunday. He had been arrested by the police there and was brought back here and placed in jail to await trial. The outfit was stolen February 8 from in front of the Y. M. C. A. building.

At Fort Smith O'Daniel traded the horse for another one and sold the buggy, he told Sheriff Webb. He said he drove to Oklahoma after the theft and then into Arkansas.

GREENHILL

There was a Sunday school at Macedonia Sunday, on account of the death of Mrs. Will Smith.

There was no meeting at Macedonia, Sunday. The pastor, Rev. Whitehead is holding a revival meeting down where he lives near McDonald.

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Will Smith. It was a great shock to the community. The family have our heartfelt sympathy.

School was out at Ozark, Friday, February 16, with Mrs. Hallie Cox as teacher but on account of so much sickness no program was rendered. Those who visited the school were Mrs. John Balmas and daughters Henrietta and Amy, and Pearl Crowell.

Mrs. Clementine Bargeress of Webb City, is visiting at the home of Will Smith and family.

Opal and Winford Davis visited Ada and Clarence Roller Monday.

Uncle Taylor Bayless is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Clyde Davis and family.

Alcie Davis is hauling gravel from the Big Chance mines, getting ready to build them a new home.

POLLY.

CARD OF THANKS

As time passes along it gets out of date to publicly express thanks to friends and neighbors for their kindness and assistance in sickness or death, but when He who doeth all things well sees fit to take our loved ones away and friends and neighbors show as much kindness, friendship and sympathy of our many friends and neighbors have shown to us in the illness and death of our wife and mother, then it is that we like to go back to the so called "Old Fashioned Way" and express our sincere thanks and appreciation to all, and especially Mrs. Lou Brown, Mrs. S. A. Davis, Mrs. W. S. Medlin, Mrs. H. Roller and many others that space will not permit us to mention.

To those who helped with the music we extend thanks. Sweeter song were never sung.

All these are truly appreciated but we do not fail to extend our heartiest thanks to Brother L. A. Smith for the sweet words of consolation, for in his message there were many consoling thoughts.

W. A. SMITH AND FAMILY.

SIGNS BONE DRY BILL

Olympia, Wash., Feb. 19.—Governor Lister signed today the "bone dry" prohibition bill. Unless referred by petition to the 1918 election it will become effective in 90 days after the adjournment of the legislature early in March.

PRESIDENT WILSON TO APPEAR BEFORE CONGRESS

He Will Ask Additional Authority in Foreign Affairs. President Asks Congress to Conduct Food Probe.

Special to The Times.

Washington, Feb. 21, (2:00 p. m.)—President Wilson has virtually decided to appear before Congress either late this week or early next week. He will ask for additional authority to meet emergencies which may occur after Congress adjourns.

The President is determined that Congress shall appropriate funds for a food probe following New York Riots.

TEMPLE-HARRIS

A telephone message from Oklahoma City from Houston Temple to his mother, Mrs. L. T. Temple, gave the startling information that the young man had just been married.

The wedding took place at the Catholic parsonage at Ardmore, Tuesday morning, the bride being Miss Thelma Harris, a young art teacher in Ardmore. Mr. and Mrs. Temple were having a short honeymoon trip to Oklahoma City.

Mr. Temple is pharmacist in a drug store at New Wilson, Okla. His marriage comes as a surprise to his family and friends.

PRAIRIE VIEW

Harold Haggard is quite ill with the mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Derrington visited Sunday with Mrs. Derrington's sister, Mrs. Katie Russell and family. Misses Jessie and Faye Hunnell visited Sunday with Misses Nannie and Viola Shipman.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Hunell and children and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bernard spent Sunday with Chas. Barnes and family.

Mrs. Fannie Haggard visited Monday evening with Mrs. John Haggard. P. J. McEaney visited his sister, Mrs. John Logan, Saturday night and helped care for Mr. Logan, who is very ill with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Russell and baby spent last Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Caydon.

Mrs. Anna Means visited her sister, Mrs. Jay Phillips near New Site Monday.

Bremer McQuality left Saturday morning for Neosho to spend a few days with his brother Claude, after which he will depart for his home in New Mexico after an extended visit here.

Merle Means attended church at Prairie View Saturday night.

POLLY ANNA.

EAST PURDY

Miss Desie Russell visited Miss Alta Kennedy of the Bethel neighborhood hood from Wednesday to Sunday of last week.

Carl Justice is on the sick list. Miss Chloa Crabb entertained a number of her friends at a music party Saturday night. All report good music and an enjoyable time.

Several from this neighborhood attended the funeral of Mrs. Mollie Smith at Bethel Sunday. We all regret the loss of so good a neighbor and the bereaved family have our sincerest sympathy.

Miss Pearl Gann visited her cousin, Miss Maye Smith, Saturday night.

Earl Doty of Cato, visited Delmar Myres from Friday until Sunday.

Fred Terry and Miss Addie Nichols were married at the home of Rev. Melvin Henson, Sunday afternoon. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Millard Terry, who live here and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ja. Nichols of Gunter. These young people have our best wishes for a long and prosperous married life.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roller moved to their new home last week which they have just completed. We welcome them into our community.

PURDY

Rev. Ed Brown filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Lois Doyle spent the latter part of last week in Exeter.

Miss Lincoln and Miss Beasley spent Sunday in Monett.

Mrs. Nance Hall of Prosperity, is visiting in our city.

Mrs. George Russell went to Monett, Sunday to visit her mother, Mrs. Blankenship.

Willie Boucher spent Saturday night and Sunday in Monett.

Mrs. Samuel and son Earl, visited her daughter, Miss Grace Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Johnson and baby, Mrs. Fulton Smith and children of Monett visited relatives in Purdy, Saturday.

Miss Goldie Stockton went to Washburn, Tuesday.

Dave Talbert and family have moved from Butterfield to Wheaton. Being prominent in church and social affairs at Butterfield they will be greatly missed there.

Engineer J.M. Mulhall, who has been ill for two weeks, went out on his regular run, Wednesday.

J. F. Mermoud went to Butterfield, Wednesday.

Mrs. B. A. Jones and Miss Aleen Hudson went to Purdy, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Avery, of Hartley, were in town, Tuesday.

Miss Mary Callender attended a dance at Wentworth, Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Watson went to Springfield, Tuesday.

Miss Marie Hayden, of Peirce City, visited here, Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli DeBrosse will go to Springfield in a few days to visit their daughter, Mrs. Will Smithier.

James Nordin came down from Joplin, Sunday, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nordin. Miss Blanche Bird accompanied him.

The Sunshine club will meet with Mrs. S. C. Dow, on Wednesday, February 21, instead of on Tuesday, the regular day.

The first car of strawberry crates arrived Monday, and they were consigned to Jas. Lauderdale.

B. & O. private car 907 occupied by a director of the Missouri Pacific and his party went out on 407 en route to Tulsa, Tuesday.

W. H. Pilkerton, of Springfield, visited at the George Morrow home, Monday evening.

Mrs. S.J. Henslee, of Chadwick, has taken charge of her rooming house on Seventh street.

Mrs. James Parker and children, of Aurora, are visiting here for a few days.

Mrs. Mangrich and daughter, Miss Margaret, of Aurora, visited Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ruscha, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pepper, who had been visiting Mrs. J. V. Dysart, returned to their home at Joplin, Saturday night.

Mrs. W. B. Counts, of Purdy, arrived Tuesday, to be the guest of her sister, Mrs. Julia Freeland.

Mrs. Fannie Martin has returned from St. Louis where she purchased her spring millinery and visited her daughter, Mrs. A. N. Blaney.

Conductor Breece Dwyer of the Eastern division has been transferred to a run between Springfield and Monett.

C. & E. I. private car 502 occupied by Secretary Henson, went through Monett, Monday enroute to Ft. Worth, to get J. W. Jackson, receiver.

Henry Krueger has purchased the Davies property on north Central avenue and is moving there today. The place was formerly occupied by W. M. Pitts.

The new Browning coal hoisting machine that has been in Monett for some time has been sent to Joplin and has been replaced by an old one out of Springfield shops.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allen, Mrs. Dora White of Fayetteville, Ark., and Mrs. John M. Allen of Mt. Vernon, spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. John White, Monday.

Helen Gleaves, the twelve year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Gleaves, became suddenly blind the latter part of last week. It is hoped that the affliction will be only temporary.

Mrs. Will Terry and Miss Vernice Frost were the guests of Mrs. Clara Fowler, Tuesday. Mrs. Terry has been visiting her parents in Cassville and will return to her home in Sapulpa, Okla., Tuesday night, accompanied by her sister, Miss Vernice Frost and Miss Lola Johnson.

O. T. Sanders was arrested for draying without a license. He gave a plea of guilty and paid a fine of \$1 and costs. Mr. Sanders claims that he pled guilty to save time and expense and says that the hauling he did was done without remuneration and for accommodation.

R. F. Carr, superintendent of the Southern division, has been appointed to the position of assistant general manager of the Frisco, with offices at Springfield. The statements followed the receipt of circulars announcing the appointment of P. O. Wood to the position of superintendent of the Southern division, to succeed Mr. Carr, who had been promoted.

Rev. B. D. Jones and family finished moving into their new bungalow today. As a last pleasant surprise connected with the flitting, the Central church people bought new linoleum for the kitchen and got around with it so early in the morning that it was all in place before the lady of the house learned about it.—Aurora World.

CODE LAW MAY FAIL

The outlook at Jefferson City is that the children's code legislation will fail to get on the statute books on account of press of other legislation considered more important.

Failure of this bill would be disappointing. It is possible it is not as important as some that must be put through, but it is also virtually certain it is more important than many that will be put through. Its passage would mean elevating Missouri to a higher plane in moral and humanitarian progress.

It would be a good thing if everyone interested locally in the passage of this bill would mail a message to local legislators at Jefferson City, urging that they do their best to get the children's code law adopted at the present session.—Joplin Globe.

By order of the Chicago school board, the school children of that city will salute the flag once a week. The salute is, "I pledge allegiance to the American flag and for the Republic for which it stands; one nation indivisible with liberty and justice for all." It is frequently charged that the American youth of today is not patriotic. The patriotism may be latent but it is in their hearts and needs only the proper training to bring it out. The love of country and flag should be a part of the public school training.

FOURTH MISSOURI

STARTS HOME

Laredo, Tex., Feb. 30.—The Fourth Missouri infantry, the only remaining unit on the border from that state entrained here today for Fort Riley, Kan., for demobilization. The first sections departed this morning, while the remainder are scheduled to leave before night.

Mrs. John Allen of Mt. Vernon, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Allen. Ray McCracken went to Wentworth, Wednesday.

Mrs. F. A. Logan, who was very ill with pneumonia, is improving nicely. Bert Wormington made a business trip to Cassville, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Randall spent Wednesday, in Springfield.

Mrs. C. Reniff and Mrs. Chas. King visited in Peirce City, Wednesday.

Miss Mary Kenny went to Afton, Okla., Wednesday.

Mrs. John Allen and Mrs. F. M. Allen were the guests of Mrs. Jane Kennedy in Peirce City, Wednesday.

"In the Dead of Night" with Douglas Gerrard and Ruth Clifford, Gem to night.

Mrs. Tobe Bear and Mrs. Locke, of Peirce City, were Monett visitors, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Draper, of Carthage, are visiting relatives and friends for a few days.

Mrs. J. W. Watts, who has been visiting her brother, P. C. Collins, returned to her home in Brookfield, Tuesday.

Mrs. W. J. Mills left Wednesday morning, for Carthage and Joplin where she will visit relatives and friends for a few days.

Mrs. J. W. Baty, who is very ill and has been for some time, is reported no better and it is said that an operation will be necessary for her recovery.

Charles Blood is unable to work on account of an attack of rheumatism. Rev. and Mrs. J. F. King motored to Marionville, Wednesday to visit relatives.

Homer Hines became ill with pneumonia, Sunday, and is a very sick man.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Hoover are visiting in Neosho. Mr. Hoover is firing on the switch engine there.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sater made a business trip to Springfield, Wednesday.

Mrs. Ed Wilson and Mrs. R. C. Wilson went to Joplin, Wednesday to attend the funeral of Edgar Chester.

W. T. Allen, of north of town, has sold his farm to Frank Birkenbach. He will remain on the place until August in order to take care of his crop.

G. R. Armstrong, who has been in Dr. West's hospital with a broken hip since last December, is improving and is able to sit up a little.

Miss Dorothy Morgan who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cook, returned to her home in Rogers, Ark., Wednesday.

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